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1. On 10 November 1951, the Hindenburg Kaserne on the north side of Max Liebermannstrasse in Leipzig (N 52/E 21) quartered about 300 troops including some wearing black-bordered crimson epaulets and air force soldiers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets. (1) About 50 sedans, 10 trucks and 4 busses, most of them carrying wreaths, assembled between 9:45 and 10 a.m. on 7 November. The vehicles had come from the direction of Olbrichtstrasse and Landsbergerstrasse.

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The column started moving toward Trinitatis Cemetery to the Soviet war memorial at 10:20 a.m.

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No changes were observed with the garrison hospital on the north side of Max Liebermannstrasse.

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2. The Gendarmerie Kaserne on the north side of Wiederitscherweg appeared to be vacant between 1 and 10 November 1951. Only a few soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets were observed. The installation apparently housed a repair shop. A signboard above the gate bore the inscription "KT12".
3. The eastern section of the former German supply depot on the south side of Max Liebermannstrasse, corner of Olbrichtstrasse, housed a military prison and a field bakery. Sedan [redacted] was parked in front of the prison. The western section of the installation apparently housed a supply depot. There was no activity during the time of observation. (3)
4. The Train Kaserne on the west side of Olbrichtstrasse quartered only a few soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets without branch-of-service insignia. There was no training activity.

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5. Prior to 10 November, the Treitschke Kaserne on the east side of Olbrichtstrasse was occupied by about 400 troops who wore black-bordered crimson epaulets and who had guard dogs.

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6. On 10 November, the Flak Kaserne at Schoenau quartered about 1,000 troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets, including some with artillery and tank insignia. No regular training activity was observed.

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7. Prior to 10 November, the Flak Kaserne at Leipzig-Heiterblick was occupied by about 1,200 troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets. Two officers wore tank insignia. On 5 November troops practiced with three tanks at the drill field behind the barracks installation and 10 soldiers engaged in driving practice with side-car motorcycles on the fields opposite the main gate.

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Sedans [redacted] occupied by civilians and officers, were repeatedly seen driving to SAGs and to workshops working for the Soviets. (7)

8. Traffic to the Hindenburg Kaserne increased after the end of October. The main gate was boarded up, so that the view into the billeting area was blocked. An old wooden signboard at the entrance bore the inscription "Central Komendantura".

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Comments.

- (1) The Hindenburg Kaserne apparently still houses the SCC komendantura Leipzig and an air force construction unit.
 - (2) Most of the motor vehicles belong to the GOFG.
 - (3) The installation is believed to house supply installations of the First Gds Mecz Army. 50X1-HUM
 - (4) [redacted] a signal unit of the GOFG is stationed there.
 - (5) The information confirms the MGB units in the Treitschke Kaserne.
 - (6) The Flak Kaserne was hitherto occupied by elements of the 13th AAA Div, the unidentified rocket launcher regiment of the XXIX Gds Mtz Rifle Corps, and the 69th Gds Mecz Regt of the 21st Gds Mecz Div. For the first time, motor vehicle [redacted] of the 8th Gds Mecz Div from Chemnitz appeared at the installation, in addition to those [redacted] of the 13th AAA Div. As motor vehicle [redacted] of the 8th Gds Mecz Div have not been identified at Chemnitz since the spring of 1951, it is possible that components of this division moved to the Flak Kaserne in Leipzig-Schoenau from the barracks installation in Chemnitz-Ebersdorf. 50X1-HUM
 - (7) During the summer of 1951, the Flak Kaserne at Leipzig-Heiterblick quartered only training units. [redacted] 50X1-HUM
- [redacted], it is believed that the 21st Gds Mecz Regt of the 8th Gds Mecz Div stationed there returned to the quarters at the beginning of November 1951.

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